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SENATE BILL NO. 115

Introduced by: Senators Kelly, Abdallah, Earley, Ham-Burr, Kooistra, and Olson (Ed) and
Representatives Williamson, Cutler, Glenski, Hennies, McCaulley, Murschel,
and Nesselhuf

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to prohibit the disruption of or interference with traffic
2 signal prescription systems and to provide a penalty therefor.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. No person may disrupt or interfere with the traffic signal preemption system
5 installed by any municipality, county, or other unit of local government for use by emergency
6 vehicles to improve traffic movement by temporarily controlling signalized intersections.

7 Any violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.

8 Section 2. The provisions of section 1 of this Act do not apply to any authorized emergency
9 response employee who is using the system pursuant to such employment at a time when an
10 emergency exists and there is a threat of immediate danger to life or property that reasonably
11 requires the use of the system in order to protect the public peace or safety. Moreover, the
12 provisions of section 1 of this Act do not apply to any person who is performing any authorized
13 inspection, maintenance, or repair work on the system.

